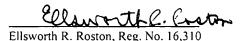
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- A copy of the Office Action dated January 17, 2002. This Office Action is entitled NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION.
- 2. Copies of a Declaration and Power of Attorney and an Assignment. These documents have been executed by Terrence A. Tomkow, Ph.D. who is listed as the sole inventor in the application.
- 3. A copy of Figures 12-14 in the application.
- 4. A petition fee in the amount of one hundred and thirty dollars of (\$130.00).

Reconsideration and favorable action on the application are respectfully

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